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Project Name: Art Inspiration Generator

Project Type: Application/Database(?)

One of the major issues to affect artists is the so-called “block.” Writers know it as “writer’s block” but “artist’s block” affects artists all the time and the result is the same: “I have nothing to write/paint/draw/create!!” In the social media world, artists have tried to address this by creating the 30 Day Challenge, such as Inktober (<http://mrjakeparker.com/inktober>), or the Drawing-a-Day challenge, but the feedback is often the same. “What do I create?”

My application idea is to create a random idea generator for these struggling artistic types. The app would generate a random idea for the viewer to sort through. Ideally, it would have a base set of ideas, but the user could specify different specific areas, such as medium or genre. The user could also select 1-3 words or phrases to generate. Drilling down this way would result in a targeted idea suited specifically for the user’s needs.

I would also like to have the user create an account and save their favorite. If time (and ability) allows, I would like to create a sharing environment where users could upload images to a shared environment and “score” each other’s work. My vision for this would be an Android app.

Overall, the idea for this project is to, first and foremost, create an application to help users break out of their block and, secondly, to create an environment for sharing inspiration based around the specific ideas generated.

Application: Art Inspiration

Primary Function: Random Idea Generator

Additional Features (Incrementally added):

1. Specify options (1-3 words/phrases)
2. Create account
3. Save options

Advanced Features:

1. Share work
2. Comment/Score work
3. Save other’s saved ideas